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REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment, Claims 18-46, 53-58, and 70-86 will be pending in this application. Applicant requests reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

In ¶ 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 18-93 (renumbered as Claims 18-92) under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. Applicant has previously submitted an appropriate terminal disclaimer, which obviated this rejection.

However, in the Amendment dated May 17, 2004, Applicant inadvertently failed to point out an inaccuracy in the description of the disclosure of U.S. Patent No. 6,182,148, which is the parent to this case. The rejections in ¶ 4 of the Office Action state that the '148 patent does not explicitly teach that the domain name resides under the dot root. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

The '148 patent expressly and unambiguously teaches that the domain name resides under the dot root. For example, the table and text in Col. 7 of the '148 patent, as well as the text at Col. 8, lines 1-3, describe an exemplary redirector string as "ar.i18.net." As is well known, the ".net" top level domain resides under the dot root. Thus, a domain name ending in ".net", such as the exemplary final domain name at Col. 7, line 35, resides under the dot root.

To the extent that the Examiner believes that the rejections in ¶ 4 are appropriate based on the '148 patent alone, the Claims remain patentable in view of the terminal disclaimer filed on May 17, 2004.

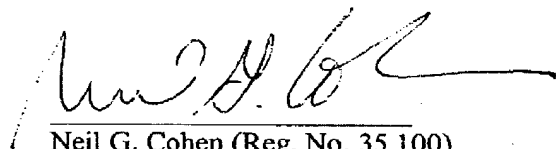
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For the reasons set forth above, all of the pending claims are patentable over the references of record and are now in condition for allowance. An early allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

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